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A communication received from Lhasa on 27 May 1950 by the Tibetan Mission to Communist China reports that Chinese Communist troops have crossed the Yangtze River east of Jyekundo and have seized one of two mobile wireless sets based on Chamdo. Tibetans in the area are appealing to Lhasa for helps It is not known in Lhasa, the communication says, whether the Chinese troops are moving farther west. No fighting has been reported, however. In the light of the above, the communication urges the Mission to leave Calcutta for Hong Kong as soon as possible to contact a representative of the Chinese Peoples Republic who will meet the Mission at Hong Kong. \*

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Comment. While the above information may be true, it may also be a fabrication designed to speed the granting of travel facilities to the Mission. At present two members of the Mission plan to fly to Hong Kong on 4 June via British Overseas Airways. The other members hope to settle the passport problems and follow on 11 June.

